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INTERIM REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH FOR THE YEAR 1941.

TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE
URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL OF WORSLEY.

August, 1942.

Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present the third interim report on the health and sanitary conditions of the District. Again the Ministry of Health have suggested that reports should be confined to essential and urgent matters which have affected the Public Health during the year.

SECTION A.—GENERAL SUMMARY.

There has been no change in the general provision of health services during the year.

Diphtheria and scarlet fever outbreaks occurred during the first and last quarters of the year. The presence of Diphtheria in the district helped the immunisation scheme and steady progress has been made in this direction.

A war time increase of scabies has occurred as in other areas. This has not been sufficiently serious to warrant any special measures being taken. The matter was carefully considered and a special report submitted to the committee.

There has been no excessive mortality during the year.

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Table I. - STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

Area—7,242 acres.

Population—Registrar General's estimate of:—

| | | | |
|-----|---|--------------|--------|
| (a) | resident population mid 1941 | ... | 24,930 |
| (b) | average population for calculation of death rates 1941 | ... ... | 24,930 |

No. of inhabited houses, according to Rate Books at the end of 1941—7,765.

Rateable Value 1940—£138,313.

Sum represented by a penny rate 1940—£544.

Table II. - VITAL STATISTICS, 1941.

| | | | Total | M. | F. | |
|-------------------|-----|------------------|------------|------------|------------|--|
| Live Births | { | Legitimate ... | 349 | 186 | 163 | { Birth-rate per 1,000 of the estimated resident population—14.68. |
| | | Illegitimate ... | 17 | 11 | 6 | |
| | | Total ... | <u>366</u> | <u>197</u> | <u>169</u> | |
| Still Births | ... | ... | 25 | 13 | 12 | Rate per 1,000 total (live and still) births—63.9. |
| Deaths (all ages) | | ... | 314 | 166 | 148 | Death rate per 1,000 of the estimated average population—12.6. |

Deaths from Puerperal Causes :—

| | | |
|------------------------|-----|------|
| Puerperal Sepsis | ... | Nil. |
| Other puerperal causes | | Nil. |

Death-rate of infants under one year of age :—

| | | |
|---|--------|------|
| All infants per 1,000 live births | ... .. | 62.8 |
| Legitimate infants per 1,000 legitimate live births | ... | 65.9 |
| Illegitimate infants per 1,000 illegitimate live births | ... | Nil. |

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|--------|------|
| Deaths from Cancer (all ages) | ... .. | 44 |
| „ „ Measles (all ages) | ... .. | 3 |
| „ „ Whooping Cough (all ages) | ... .. | 3 |
| „ „ Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age) | ... .. | Nil. |

The Birth Rate (14.7) and the Death Rate (12.6) are very close to those for England and Wales (14.2 and 12.9 respectively)

It is gratifying to record that there were no maternal deaths during the year.

The Infantile Mortality Rate (63) is higher than that for England and Wales (59).

There has been no unusual or excessive mortality during the year.

Table III. - CAUSES OF DEATH DURING 1941.

CLASSIFIED LIST OF CAUSES.

| | | | | | | | Males | Females |
|---|-----|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|---------|
| Cerebro Spinal Fever | ... | .... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 1 |
| Diphtheria | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 | - |
| Measles | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 2 |
| Whooping Cough | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 1 |
| Influenza | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 | - |
| Acute Infectious Encephalitis | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | - | - |
| Tuberculosis of Respiratory System | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 11 | 4 |
| Tuberculosis - other forms | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | - | - |
| Syphilitic Diseases | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | - |
| Cancer (mouth and oesophagus) | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | - |
| „ (stomach and duodenum) | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 4 | 2 |
| „ (breast) | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | - | 7 |
| „ (other sites) | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 13 | 17 |
| Diabetes | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 1 |
| Intra cranial vascular lesions | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 21 | 29 |
| Heart Disease | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 34 | 31 |
| Other circulatory diseases | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 | - |
| Bronchitis | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 9 | 4 |
| Pneumonia | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 4 | 1 |
| Other respiratory diseases | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 | 3 |
| Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age) | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | - | - |
| Other digestive diseases | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 6 | 7 |
| Nephritis | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 4 | 5 |
| Puerperal and post-abortion Sepsis | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | - | - |
| Other Maternal causes | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | - | - |
| Premature Birth | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 4 | 4 |
| Congenital malformation, birth injuries | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 5 | 2 |
| Suicide | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3 | - |
| Road Traffic accidents | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 | - |
| Other violent causes | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 7 | 3 |
| All other causes | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 22 | 24 |
| All Causes - | | | | | | | 166 | 148 |

TOTAL ... 314.

SECTION B.—GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA.

There has been no important change in these provisions during the year.

The following pathological and bacteriological examinations were made during the year :—

| | | |
|-----|---|-----|
| (1) | Diphtheria | 83. |
| (2) | Enteric Fever | 2. |
| (3) | Haemolytic Streptococci | 2. |
| (4) | MILK :— | |
| (a) | Biological | 10. |
| | (None found to contain Tubercle Bacilli). | |
| (b) | Bacteriological | 11. |
| | (6 found to be unsatisfactory). | |

AMBULANCE FACILITIES.—These are provided by arrangement with the Manchester Collieries. 564 calls for accident cases and private removals were received. The charge to the Council was £510 approximately.

SECTION C.—SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA.

WATER SUPPLY, DRAINAGE, SEWERAGE, RIVERS AND STREAMS.—Many streams in the district are polluted. It is unlikely that this state of affairs can be remedied during the War.

SANITARY ACCOMMODATION.—No changes have occurred.

SANITARY INSPECTIONS.—A detailed statement of inspections by the Senior Sanitary Inspector is appended.

BUG INFESTED HOUSES.—Bugs were found in twenty-three houses. Rooms were sprayed with Zaldecide which apparently destroyed the bugs.

SECTION D.—HOUSING.

Defects which have been found or notified have received attention. One new house has been completed during the year.

There is no gross overcrowding.

The number of bug infested houses referred to in the preceding section is regrettably large.

SECTION E.—INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

MILK SUPPLY.

- (a) Licences.—The following licences under the Milk (Special Designations) Order 1936 and 1938 have been issued:—

| | | | |
|------------------------|-----|---------------------------|------|
| Tuberculin Tested Milk | (1) | Bottling | Nil. |
| | (2) | Distribution | 1. |
| Accredited Milk | (1) | Bottling | 5. |
| | (2) | Distribution | 5. |
| Pasteurised Milk | (1) | Plants | Nil. |
| | (2) | Retail Distributors | 3. |

- (b) Dairies, Milk Shops.—There are eighteen milk purveyors, other than cow-keepers. Regular inspections of the premises were made during the year.

- (c) Farms.—There are 32 dairy farms and 500 cows in the District. All the farms were inspected at least twice during the year with a view to cleanliness, limewashing and structural condition. The cleanliness of the cows and of the milkers was also watched, together with methods for sterilising the utensils, cooling, bottling and sterilising the milk. Scarcity of labour has been blamed for a lower standard of cleanliness.

- (d) Samples.

- (1) For tuberculous milk (on behalf of the County Council)—10 samples—none contained tubercle bacilli.
- (2) For bacterial content—
11 samples—6 unsatisfactory.

Immediate improvement occurred after visits to the farms producing milk with a high bacterial content.

MEAT SUPPLY.—All local slaughter-houses ceased to be used on Sunday midnight, the 14th January, 1940.

Two cases of emergency slaughter were investigated.

All pigs slaughtered on licences issued by the Food Office were inspected.

It is still very necessary to inspect meat coming into the shops. During 1941, over 1,300 lbs. of meat and meat preparations were surrendered as unfit for human consumption.

BAKEHOUSES, FOOD SHOPS, FISH FRYERS AND MEAT SHOPS.—Routine inspections have been made during the year. 480 eggs and 9 lbs. of cheese were surrendered as unfit for human consumption.

No cases of food poisoning were notified in 1941.

SECTION F.—PREVALENCE OF, AND CONTROL OVER, INFECTIOUS DISEASE.

There was an increased incidence of scarlet fever and diphtheria during the first and last quarters of the year whilst the incidence of whooping cough was considerable throughout the whole year. Table V shows that children between the ages 5—10 were chiefly affected by diphtheria and scarlet fever. Whooping cough occurred in children of all ages up to 10 years, the maximum incidence being at age 5.

The diphtheria cases were of a severe type and there were two deaths. Neither of these children had been immunised.

By arrangement with the County Police, diphtheria antitoxin is now stored at Walkden Police Station, as well as at the Town Hall. It is available day and night for doctors in the District.

Table IV.

| Disease | Total cases notified | Cases admitted to Hospital | Deaths |
|---|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------|
| Scarlet Fever | 98 | 63 | — |
| Diphtheria (including membranous croup) | 24 | 22 | 2 |
| Enteric Fever (including paratyphoid | 1 | 1 | — |
| Measles | 76 | — | 3 |
| Whooping Cough | 219 | — | 3 |
| Acute Pneumonia | 9 | — | 5 |
| Puerperal Pyrexia | 1 | 1 | — |
| Cerebro-Spinal Fever | 4 | 2 | 2 |
| Erysipelas... .. | 8 | 2 | 1 |
| Total number of cases ... | 440 | 91 | 16 |

TABLE V.—NOTIFIABLE DISEASES (other than Tuberculosis) DURING THE YEAR 1941.

| DISEASE. | Total cases at all Ages. | CASES NOTIFIED. | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|--------------------------|-----------------|--------|-----|-----|-----|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------------|
| | | Under 1 yr. | YEARS. | | | | | | | | | | 65 and over |
| | | | 1-2 | 2-3 | 3-4 | 4-5 | 5-10 | 10-15 | 15-20 | 20-35 | 35-45 | 45-65 | |
| Scarlet Fever | 98 | — | — | 4 | 8 | 5 | 43 | 27 | 5 | 4 | 2 | — | — |
| Diphtheria (including membranous croup) ... | 24 | — | — | 1 | 2 | 1 | 13 | 4 | 1 | 2 | — | — | — |
| Enteric Fever (including Paratyphoid) | 1 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | 1 | — | — | — | — |
| Measles (excluding German Measles) | 76 | 2 | 6 | 9 | 13 | 10 | 33 | 3 | — | — | — | — | — |
| Whooping Cough | 219 | 21 | 21 | 33 | 31 | 36 | 66 | 8 | 2 | 1 | — | — | — |
| Acute Pneumonia (primary & influenzal) ... | 9 | — | — | — | — | — | 1 | 1 | 2 | — | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| Puerperal Pyrexia | 1 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | 1 | — | — |
| Cerebro-spinal fever ... | 4 | — | — | — | 1 | — | — | — | — | — | 2 | 1 | — |
| Erysipelas | 8 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | 2 | 3 | 3 | — |
| Totals | 440 | 23 | 27 | 47 | 55 | 52 | 156 | 43 | 11 | 9 | 9 | 6 | 2 |

DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION.—The scheme was outlined in the report for 1940. Steady progress has been made and during 1941 more than six hundred children were immunised. Tribute must be paid to the Head Teachers in the schools who have materially encouraged the scholars to attend for treatment. The outbreak of diphtheria also caused many parents to see that their children were protected by immunisation.

TABLE VI.

| Percentage of children immunised. | | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|
| | under age 5 | between 5 and 15 yrs. |
| 31st December, 1940 | 23% | 31% |
| 31st December, 1941 | 40% | 50% |

(At the time of this report 43% of those under 5 and 60% of those between 5 and 15 years have been immunised).

During the years 1940 and 1941 there were 32 cases of diphtheria. 29 of these cases were amongst non-immunised children, many were dangerously ill and two died. There were three mild-cases amongst immunised children, only one of whom had been immunised under the Council's scheme.

TUBERCULOSIS.

Table VII.
NEW CASES AND MORTALITY DURING 1941.

| Age Periods. | | | | NEW CASES. | | | | DEATHS. | | | |
|--------------|--------------|-----|-----|------------|----|---------------|----|----------|----|----------------|----|
| | | | | Resp't'y | | non-Resp't'ry | | Resp't'y | | non-Resp't'ry' | |
| | | | | M. | F. | M. | F. | M. | F. | M. | F. |
| Years | 0—1 | ... | ... | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| „ | 1—5 | ... | ... | — | — | 1 | — | — | — | — | — |
| „ | 5—10 | ... | ... | — | — | — | 2 | — | — | — | — |
| „ | 10—15 | ... | ... | — | — | — | 1 | — | — | — | — |
| „ | 15—20 | ... | ... | — | 2 | 1 | — | 1 | — | — | — |
| „ | 20—25 | ... | ... | — | 3 | — | — | — | 1 | — | — |
| „ | 25—35 | ... | ... | 2 | 2 | — | — | 3 | 1 | — | — |
| „ | 35—45 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | — | — | 1 | — | — | — |
| „ | 45—55 | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | — | — | 3 | — | — | — |
| „ | 55—65 | ... | ... | — | 1 | — | — | 3 | 1 | — | — |
| „ | 65 & upwards | ... | ... | — | — | — | — | — | 1 | — | — |
| Totals | | | | 4 | 10 | 2 | 3 | 11 | 4 | — | — |
| | | | | 19 | | | | 15 | | | |

PUBLIC HEALTH (TUBERCULOSIS) REGULATIONS, 1940.—These Regulations require particulars of all male persons of certain specified ages who have been on the Tuberculosis Register to be forwarded to the Ministry of Labour; the object is to draw the attention of the Medical Boards for enlistment in His Majesty's Forces. Thirty-three names were notified in 1941.

SMOKE ABATEMENT.—The law relating to smoke abatement has been temporarily relaxed.

CANAL BOATS.—Fourteen inspections were made during the year and conditions were found to be satisfactory. There was no overcrowding and no women or children were living on board the boats.

C. H. T. WADE,
Medical Officer of Health.

REPORT OF SENIOR SANITARY INSPECTOR.

Town Hall,
Walkden.

12th August, 1942.

TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF
WORSLEY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Mr. Chairman, Mrs. Wood, and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present my first Annual Report on work carried out by the Public Health Department during 1941.

In submitting the report I must take the opportunity of thanking you for my appointment, and trust that I may justify the confidence you have placed in me.

Owing to war conditions I took over a responsible position at a difficult time, but the assistance I have received from the Chairman, Members of the Committee, from the Medical Officer of Health and the Officers and Members of the Staff in all departments has made the task much easier than I anticipated, and I tender to them my thanks and appreciation.

The work of the Department has changed considerably since war broke out. Housing, inspection of slaughterhouses, smoke abatement and the systematic inspection of the District for nuisances have had to take a secondary place to the various war-time measures such as the collection of salvage and kitchen waste, the supervision and cleansing of air raid shelters, the inspection of imported meat and tinned goods and many duties connected with Air Raid Precautions.

It will be noticed from the detailed list that complaints of nuisances are still being dealt with and although labour and material are difficult to obtain, the more urgent defects such as choked drains, leaking roofs and dampness are being remedied. During the whole of the year it was unnecessary to resort to either statutory notices or legal action.

SUMMARY OF VISITS AND INSPECTIONS—1941.

| | |
|---|------|
| Enquiries concerning Infectious Disease | 147 |
| Number of houses disinfected after Infectious Disease ... | 124 |
| ,, ,, ,, ,, Tuberculosis ... | 14 |
| Complaints of Rats | 25 |
| ,, ,, Vermin (Bugs, etc.) | 23 |
| Inspection of Bakehouses | 64 |
| Visits re water supply | 606 |
| ,, ,, salvage | 306 |
| ,, ,, overcrowding | 3 |
| ,, ,, sanitary conveniences in rest centres | 25 |
| Inspection of Canal Boats | 14 |
| ,, ,, Privy Middens | 53 |
| ,, ,, choked and defective drains | 96 |
| ,, ,, defects and nuisances | 284 |
| Reinspections—defects and nuisances | 475 |
| Inspection of Farms | 77 |
| Inspections re unfit food | 34 |
| Milk Sampling | 21 |
| Schools disinfected | 2 |
| Inspection of works sanitary conveniences | 11 |
| Miscellaneous visits | 46 |
| <hr/> | |
| Total | 2450 |
| <hr/> | |

Defects and nuisances found—380.

Defects and nuisances abated—356.

Statutory notices served—Nil.

FOOD INSPECTION.

The following food was surrendered on demand as being unfit for human consumption. Large quantities were destroyed but as much as possible was salvaged for the fats or for use as pig and poultry food.

| | | | | | Lbs. |
|-------------------------------|--------|--------|--|--|------------|
| Beef (Fore and hind quarters) | ... | Weight | | | 932 |
| Beasts liver | ... .. | „ |  |  | 16 |
| Pigs Heads (13) | ... .. | „ |  |  | 150 |
| Lamb (10 shoulders) | ... .. | „ |  |  | 96 |
| Pork fillets | ... .. | „ |  |  | 10 |
| Ham | ... .. | „ |  |  | 18 |
| Tongue | ... .. | „ |  |  | 6 |
| Sausage | ... .. | „ |  |  | 89 |
| Cheese | ... .. | „ |  |  | 9 |
| Eggs (480) | ... .. | „ |  |  | 60 |
| | | | | | <hr/> |
| | | Total | | | 1386 <hr/> |

The large amount of beef condemned was due to the presence of Foot and Mouth Disease in Ireland. Cattle were slaughtered and the carcasses dispatched before the natural heat had left the tissues. This caused “bone taint,” which set up putrefaction throughout the quarter. The strict supervision and demand for surrender which were carried out with your support and approval resulted in a conference of representatives of the Ministry of Health, The Wholesale Meat Supply Association, and representatives of Worsley Urban District Council and The Borough of Swinton and Pendlebury, at Swinton Town Hall. The result was entirely satisfactory. No further meat from this source had to be condemned as unfit for human food.

COLLECTION OF REFUSE AND SALVAGE.

The collection of household refuse has been hindered to some extent by the collection of salvage. More journeys have to be made into the yards owing to the separation of valuable salvage from ashes and waste. This has lengthened the period between visits, but as most of the waste is collected as salvage, the bins are seldom unduly full. There are three Vulcan refuse wagons and one Karrier Bantam. There are fewer journeys made to Berryfield Tip, but the loads are heavier. Three steel trailers have proved a most useful asset to the collection of paper and light salvage.

During the year, approximately 5,200 tons of refuse were disposed of by controlled tipping at Berryfield. This necessitated an average of 50 wagon loads per week, each averaging 2 tons.

Salvage amounted to 182 tons 8 cwts. 3 qrs. 3 lbs., and realised £702 11s. 0d.

The following lists show the composition of the salvage and the amount collected each month.

SALVAGE COLLECTED DURING THE YEAR 1941 WAS MADE UP AS FOLLOWS:—

| <i>Material.</i> | | | | T. | C. | Q. | Lbs. | £ | s. | d. |
|------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|------|-----|----|----|
| Paper | ... | ... | ... | 145 | 17 | 1 | 0 | 570 | 4 | 8 |
| Textiles | ... | ... | ... | 6 | 12 | 3 | 0 | 39 | 19 | 6 |
| Iron | ... | ... | ... | 13 | 10 | 2 | 0 | 23 | 13 | 2 |
| Bottles | ... | ... | ... | 9 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 22 | 0 | 0 |
| Bones | ... | ... | ... | 5 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 19 | 7 | 6 |
| Aluminium | ... | ... | ... | 0 | 5 | 1 | 18 | 14 | 1 | 3 |
| Brass | ... | ... | ... | 0 | 4 | 0 | 14 | 4 | 0 | 4 |
| Lead | ... | ... | ... | 0 | 7 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 8 | 3 |
| Copper | ... | ... | ... | 0 | 2 | 1 | 25 | 3 | 10 | 9 |
| Other Metal | ... | ... | ... | 0 | 15 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 7 |
| Totals | | | | 182 | 8 | 3 | 3 | 702 | 11 | 0 |

LIST OF SALVAGE COLLECTED DURING YEAR 1941.

| <i>Month.</i> | | | | T. | C. | Q. | Lbs. | £ | s. | d. |
|---------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|------|-----|----|----|
| January | ... | ... | ... | 12 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 44 | 15 | 2 |
| February | ... | ... | ... | 16 | 17 | 0 | 0 | 68 | 8 | 10 |
| March | ... | ... | ... | 13 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 49 | 10 | 0 |
| April | ... | ... | ... | 14 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 47 | 15 | 0 |
| May | ... | ... | ... | 10 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 43 | 15 | 0 |
| June | ... | ... | ... | 12 | 13 | 2 | 18 | 48 | 0 | 6 |
| July | ... | ... | ... | 10 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 35 | 14 | 10 |
| August | ... | ... | ... | 12 | 19 | 2 | 0 | 51 | 7 | 6 |
| September | ... | ... | ... | 9 | 17 | 1 | 0 | 38 | 3 | 6 |
| October | ... | ... | ... | 26 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 94 | 18 | 9 |
| November | ... | ... | ... | 22 | 6 | 1 | 13 | 101 | 13 | 5 |
| December | ... | ... | ... | 21 | 6 | 3 | 0 | 78 | 8 | 6 |
| Totals | | | | 182 | 8 | 3 | 3 | 702 | 11 | 0 |

In addition to the above work, the usual routine work of the department has been proceeding smoothly.

Every complaint is investigated, and dealt with as circumstances permit. Rat baits are still provided, and placed where necessary. Powder and liquid insecticides are issued when desired. Soap and disinfectants are provided in connection with infectious disease. Ambulance facilities are provided. Camp sites are inspected, and the removal of refuse arranged.

During the year, 22 licences for the storage of petrol were issued, and 4 for the storage of Calcium Carbide.

Bakehouses, farms, dairies, factories, food premises and canal boats are kept under observation, and the whole District is being supervised as much as possible in order that no time may be lost in stepping forward to real progress when the War is over.

I have the honour to be,

Madam and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

THOMAS ISHERWOOD,

*Senior Sanitary Inspector
and Cleansing Superintendent.*

